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SUBJECT: UNEP: INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS ON THE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM. NOVEMBER 1-2 SESSIONS

- 1. SESSIONS BEING PRESIDED OVER BY DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TOLBA. STRONG NOT PARTICIPATING. FROSCH ABSENT UNTIL NOVEMBER 5 DUE TO FATHER'S DEATH. EXPERTS PRESENT FROM APPROXIMATELY HALF GC MEMBERSHIP. REPRESENTATIVES FROM UN SA'S AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS PRESENT IN OBSERVER STATUS. SECTIONS 01-04 DISCUSSED.
- 2. IN GENERAL, PARTICIPANTS HAVE FOUND SECRETARIAT PROGRAM DOCUMENT DIFFICULT TO WORK WITH REFERRING TO IT AS A "COMPENDIUM" AND "CATALOGUE" OF EXISTING PROJECTS, ALMOST ALL OF WHICH ORIGINATED IN UNSA'S, RATHER THAN BEING "PROGRAMMATIC." SECRETARIAT EXPLAINED THAT SHORTAGE OF BOTH TIME AND PERSONNEL ALONG WITH THE DISRUPTING MOVE TO NAIROBI, WERE FACTORS WHICH RESULTED IN STATE OF THIS "FIRST DRAFT, UNEDITED" PAPER AND REQUESTED GROUP'S INDULGENCE. DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PROMISED THAT IN THE PERIOD BETWEEN THIS MEETING AND NOVEMBER 30 DEADLINE, STAFF WOULD BE STRENOUSLY WORKING TO PLACE PROGRAM DOCUMENT INTO PROGRAM CONTEXT TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THESE DISCUSSIONS, MEETING WITH SA REPRESENTATIVES, AND RECENT UNCLASSIFIED

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ECB MEETING. WITH USA LEADING WAY, MOVE UNDERWAY TO SET UP

EXTRA MEETINGS OVER WEEKEND NOVEMBER 3-4 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ADVICE ON IMPROVEMENT OF PROGRAM DOCUMENT.

3. IWG ON ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING SCHEDULED TO MEET FEB. 11-20, 1974. SELECT EXPERTS ATTENDING HERE WILL MEET WITH SECRETARIAT EVENING NOV. 5 TO ASSIST IN PREPARATIONS FOR THIS MEETING.

4. SECRETARIAT EXPECTS UNEP ITEM TO COME UP IN UNGA ABOUT WEEK OF NOV. 19. SIGNED KING. BASSIN

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